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Dear Administrator,

Through an September 22, 2010 Federal Register notice, the U.S. EPA solicited public comments on the Draft Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load for Nutrients and Sediments (Bay TMDL). For its size, the City of Rockville, Maryland implements one of the most effective stormwater programs in the nation. Consequently, we have extensive experience in these matters. Further, we believe our perspective is important for EPA to consider when assuring the successful implementation of the Bay TMDL.

Please find our comments attached to this letter. We very much appreciate the opportunity to share our perspective on the Bay TMDL. Should you be interested in following up our comments, please contact me at (240) 314-8871, or contact Jake Marren of my staff at (240) 314-8876.

Sincerely,

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